

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/501,434	LEE ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment filed on 2/22/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 28, 29, 31, 32 and 34 which are renumbered as 1-11 respectively.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____. 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |
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Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 28, 29, 31, 32 and 34 are allowable over prior art.

2. The following is an Examiner's statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter based on Amendment filed on February 22, 2006.

As in claims 2, 8, 12 and 34, the prior art of record fails to teach or fairly suggests the following features:

(a) a printer for printing indicia on a first compact disc;

(b) a transporter carriage having a first and second gripping locations each for respectively gripping and directly holding the first and a second compact disc simultaneously; and

(c) the transporter carriage grips the first and second compact discs using a vacuum.

As in claims 6 and 32, the prior art of record fails to teach or fairly suggests that the compact disc processing system having the following features:

(a) a printer for printing indicia on a first compact disc;

(b) a transporter carriage having a first and second gripping locations each for respectively gripping and directly holding the first and a second compact disc simultaneously; and

(c) a supply location having a vertically extending rod sized to fit within a central opening provided in the first compact disc.

As in claim 10, the prior art of record fails to teach or fairly suggests that the compact disc processing system having the following features:

(a) a supply station for gripping a plurality of blank compact discs;

(b) a printer for printing indicia on a first compact disc;

(c) a transporter carriage having a first and second gripping locations each for respectively gripping and directly holding the first and a second compact disc simultaneously; and

(d) a supply location having a vertically extending rod sized to fit within a central opening provided in the plurality of blank discs.

As in claim 28, the prior art of record fails to teach or fairly suggests that a compact disc processing system having the following features:

(a) a printer for printing indicia on a first compact disc;

(b) a transporter carriage having a first and second gripping locations each for respectively gripping and directly holding the first and a second compact disc simultaneously; and

(c) a vacuum pump coupled to the gripping head to selectively provide a vacuum to the first and second gripping locations.

As in claim 31, the prior art of record fails to teach or fairly suggests that a compact disc processing system having the following features:

(a) a printer for printing indicia on a first compact disc;

(b) a transporter carriage having a first and second gripping locations each for respectively gripping and directly holding the first and a second compact disc on first and second parallel planes; and

(c) a centering feature comprises a plurality of deflectable fingers which extend from the gripping head.

The features indicated above, in combination with the other elements of the claims, are not anticipated by, nor made obvious over, the prior art of record.

3. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably **accompany** the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

4. Any response to this action should be mailed to:

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Or faxed to:

(571) 273-8300 (for formal communications intended for entry. Or:

(571) 273-7585, (for informal or draft communications, please label "PROPOSED" or "DRAFT")

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed USPTO Contact Center (703) 308-4357; Electronic Business Center (703) 305-3028.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kim CHU whose telephone number is (571) 272-7585 between 9:30 am to 6:00 pm, Monday to Friday.

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